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LANSING DISTRICT OFFICE



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April 29, 2015

CERTIFIED MAIL

Mr. John Wagner, Director, Environmental Health and Safety
Diamond Chrome Plating, Inc.
604 South Michigan Avenue
P.O. Box 557
Howell, Michigan 48843

VN No. VN-006046

Dear Mr. Wagner:

SUBJECT: Violation Notice
Designated Name: Diamond Chrome Plating
NPDES Permit No. MI0058204
Consent Decree 03-1862-CE (CD)

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Water Resources Division (WRD) alleges that Diamond Chrome Plating Incorporated (DCP) is in violation of Part 31, Water Resources Protection, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended (NREPA), MCL 324.3101 *et seq.* and the Administrative Rules promulgated thereunder being 2006 AACRS R 323.2101 *et seq.*, as amended and National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. MI0058204, which was effective December 1, 2014. This letter documents schedule and monitoring violations recently reported by DCP or identified by the WRD.

1. DCP was required to submit an Operations and Maintenance Manual as described in Part I.A.6. of your NPDES permit by March 1, 2015. On April 27, 2015, Ms. Carla Davidson inquired about the missing manual via e-mail communication to you. The failure to submit the Operations and Maintenance Manual is a violation of your NPDES permit.
2. DCP reported the failure to monitor flow at monitoring point 001A as required by the NPDES permit since the December 1, 2014, effective date. Previously-reported effluent limit and monitoring violations were documented and conveyed to DCP in our letter dated January 20, 2015. You responded in writing on February 19, 2015, with some discussion about the exceedance and commitment to conduct monitoring as required. These monitoring violations are violations of your NPDES permit.

The violation(s) of Part 31 and NPDES Permit No. MI0058204 identified in this Violation Notice are continuing.

DCP should take immediate action to achieve and maintain compliance with the terms and conditions of Part 31 and NPDES Permit No. MI0058204.

Please submit a written response to this office by May 18, 2015. At a minimum, the response shall include:

1. An Operations and Maintenance Manual submitted for DEQ WRD approval that includes the items outlined in Part I.A.6. of your NPDES permit.
2. Any flow metering data collected at Monitoring Point 001A since the NPDES permit became effective on December 1, 2014. If flow metering at Monitoring Point 001A is not already accomplished, a plan shall be submitted that includes a schedule to install a flow meter to accurately measure daily flow at monitoring point 001A (Manhole 1379) as required by the permit. The installation schedule should not exceed 60 days from May 18, 2015.

If you have any factual information you would like us to consider regarding the violations identified in this Notice, please provide them with your written response.

We anticipate and appreciate your cooperation in resolving this matter. Should you require further information regarding this Notice or if you would like to arrange a meeting to discuss it, please contact me or Ms. Carla Davidson, Environmental Quality Analyst, Water Resources Division, Lansing District Office, at 517-284-6663; davidsonc@michigan.gov; or Department of Environmental Quality, Constitution Hall, 525 West Allegan, 1st Floor-South, P.O. Box 30242, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7742.

Sincerely,



Stephanie Kammer
Acting District Supervisor
Lansing District Office
Water Resources Division
517-284-6663

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cc: Mr. Jerry Chinn, DCP
Mr. Jim Colmer, BB & E
Mr. Richard Kuhl, DAG
Ms. Nicole Zacharda, Enforcement Unit, WRD
Mr. Dan McGeen, AQD
Ms. Rebecca Taylor, RRD
Mr. William Yocum, OWMRP